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H.B. No. 1284

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the offense of making or causing a false alarm or report  
3 involving a public or private institution of higher education.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 42.06(b), Penal Code, is amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 (b) An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor  
8 unless the false report is of an emergency involving a public or  
9 private institution of higher education or involving a public  
10 primary or secondary school, public communications, public  
11 transportation, public water, gas, or power supply or other public  
12 service, in which event the offense is a state jail felony.

13 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
14 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.  
15 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is  
16 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,  
17 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For  
18 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the  
19 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred  
20 before that date.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.